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To: Senator Meyer, Representative Roy and Members of the Committee.

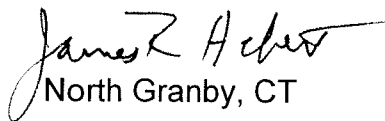
I am writing today to urge your **support** for S.B. No. 83, AN ACT AUTHORIZING BOW AND ARROW HUNTING ON SUNDAY UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

Currently, I spend time both firearm and bow hunting in Connecticut. The state has great private and public hunting areas but limited opportunities for hunting. As a person who works Monday through Friday, the state's Sunday hunting restriction cuts in half my opportunity for hunting with Saturday being the only day left available.

As a result, each year I and several friends spend five to six full weekends hunting in New York for the simple reason that Connecticut does not allow hunting on Sunday. While in New York I spend money on non-resident licenses, meals, hotels, fuel plus the other miscellaneous expenses that relate to a weekend away from home. In addition, I must pay a meat processor to butcher and de-bone any deer harvested prior to legally bringing it back into Connecticut. **This is revenue lost to New York by the state of Connecticut.**

In conclusion, please pass S.B. No. 83 so that I and many other Connecticut hunters can spend a couple more weekends hunting in our home state.

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